# AIRPORT HIGHLIGHTS

## Why are we called an International Airport?

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

St. Lucie County International Airport is a landing rights airport with Customs and Border Protection (CBP) staff to clear international flights from other countries.

This airport is a frequent stop for airplanes coming out of the Bahamas. Prior to Customs being established here, any flight whose destination was Ft. Pierce had to clear Customs at another airport then continue to Ft. Pierce. Vessels had similar problems, as inspectors had to come here from Palm Beach to clear them.

In 1974, a full time inspector of the US Customs Service was assigned to the airport and moved into the terminal building. The CBP facility now adjoins the Airport Administration Building and was built in 1980.

The CBP mission is to protect the US against terrorists, other criminals, and illegal activity while promoting legitimate trade and travel. For more information go to: www.cbp.gov

**Share your airport comments and suggestions with us.** *www.stlucieco.org*

### *Plane Talk w/Joe*

Non-aerobic exercises: wading through paperwork; putting my foot in my mouth; going over the edge.

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### Airport Master Plan

Remember to go to: *www.stlucieco.org/airport* and click on *Airport Master Plan* to get the latest working papers, meeting minutes and meeting schedules.

At this website location you can also provide your comments. This is your chance to give input on the Airport's future.